GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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PRODUCTION OF TOWED ARRAY SONAR NAGAN SYSTEM
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the present stage of installation/induction of indigenously developed Towed Array Sonar Nagan System in Indian Navy;

(b) whether the Indian Navy has placed orders of this system to the Bharat Electronics Limited;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Keltron Controls Aroor and KECL, Kuttipuram is planned to augment their facilities and infrastructure to take up the production and testing of Array System;

(e) if so, whether the draft technology document is transferred to the Keltron;

(f) if so, whether the Letter of Indent for the Towed Array Sonar Nagan System is released to enable Keltron to take up the infrastructure investment; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) Technical trials of the system have been completed onboard front line ship of Indian Navy. Balance sea trials and evaluation trials are scheduled on alternate platform September 6th onwards.

(b) & (c): Indian Navy is considering placement of orders for this system for new construction ships. M/s BE Bangalore has been identified as Prime Production Agency and system integrator for Nagan system.

(d) Keltron Controls is presently integrating the prototype array in Naval Physical and Oceanographic Laboratory premises. Their facilities and infrastructure needs to be augmented to produce Array.

(e) Transfer of technology is already taking place.

(f) & (g): Not yet. M/s. BE will place Letter of Indent on receipt of orders from Navy.